## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

**Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH** Hans J. SIDLER

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows: